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Cousins grow hops in rural Amboy for Byron brewery

By Monetta Young Reporter

hen cousins Anthony Welty and Brian Dallam put their heads together on this project, Live Wire Hops, things took off quickly. Acknowledging that the craft beer industry had exploded alongside an increasing preference towards locally grown and locally sourced products. They felt our area was well positioned geographically between the Quad Cities, Rockford, Chicago, and Peoria to serve the craft breweries and homebrew clubs of our immediate communities as well as greater Illinois.

"Add to that the fact that we are sitting on some of the richest soil on the planet which can't hurt," said Anthony. The hops growing field is located in rural Amboy on the farm of Brian's parents.

Anthony initially brought it up to Brian in late summer 2016. Brian wasn't sold on it until after a few more conversations over the winter of 2016-17 and an evening course at the University of Illinois Ag Extension on growing hops. While it could be said that it was Anthony's idea, it's ultimately to Brian's credit that action was taken.

"The following April, 2017 we were digging holes and setting poles to establish the trellis system at the yard.'

Getting started definitely had its challenges. Hops are the second fastest growing plant on planet Earth (behind bamboo) and can grow upwards of 20 feet tall. Hops therefore need something to climb on and the best way to do that is build a trellis system. The trellis

system in and of itself can be quite capital and labor intensive. And there's always a learning curve when growing a plant you've never grown before. Fortunately, the duo has had a lot of help and support every step of the way from our families.

Hops do best in well-drained soils. They require a lot of water but they want it a little bit at a time. Soil pH preferences depend on

The cousins have planted their hops crop by hand to this point.

Hops require a ton of nutrients so fertilizer is a must. Their macro nutrient requirements are about what you would expect but there are some subtleties with micro-nutrients that have to be accounted for.

There are over a hundred varieties of hops commercially available and hundreds more in trials - all with different combinations of levels of bitterness as well as flavor and aroma profiles. They are currently growing Cascade, Crystal, Centennial, Chinook, Tettnanger, East Kent Golding, and Liberty. All but Liberty appear to be sustainable in our area from their experience.

Right now, they are on about an acre footprint with a half-acre's concentration of hops with plans to expand. They went with wider row spacing intentionally for a couple of reasons: the first is hops' number one enemy in our area is mildew and they wanted to maximize air flow to naturally prevent that, the second was because it fit the tractor and equipment.

See **HOPS** page A2





LIONS EASTER EGG HUNT SET FOR APRIL 20

The Amboy Lions Club is busy organizing the annual Cliff Walter Easter Egg Hunt. This will be held at 2 p.m., on April 20, at the Amboy City Park. The festivities will begin at 1:30 p.m. with the opportunity to take pictures with the Easter Bunny and the egg hunt for the various age groups will begin at 2 p.m. In case of inclement weather, it will be held on Sunday, April 21. This is one of the many community events that the Club organizes and sponsors each year. Amboy Food and Liquor will donate the eggs again this year.

AMBOY

Amboy-LaMoille's 4x400 relay team finished second at Illinois Top **Times Meet**

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RESULTS

Lee County election results will be posted or our website www.AmboyNews.com on Wednesday.

Obituaries

David A. Haley

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DRAW DOWN

Kim Stramm, Lead EMS AFPD, and Amboy Police Chief Jeff Blake were charged with drawing and announcing the winners at the Amboy Volunteer Firemen's First Ever Fish Fry and Drawdown on Friday at the Green River Saddle Club. Fire Chief Jeff Bryant reported that 270 tickets were sold and that Todd Hobbs won the \$500 second prize and Brian Fisher won the \$1,000 prize.

Mary Mays/Amboy News

Wine and Cheese Gala set for Saturday

AMBOY— The Amboy Education Foundation will be hosting its Wine (beer) and Cheese Gala to be held at the Amboy Community Building on Saturday, April 6. This event has certainly evolved over the years. The Hors d'oeuvres are plentiful and unique. Be sure to come hungry. They added beer to the tasting several years ago and bourbon last year.

This year they are featuring beer made at two local breweries, Hairy Cow in Byron and Prairie Street in Rockford. Live Wire Hops, a local producer, supplies hops to both of these breweries.

The fun doesn't stop there, they will also have a Dessert Auction with fantastic homemade treats and a live auction of meals prepared and served by the Amboy School Board and Amboy Education Foundation

For tickets, please contact Mark Becker at 857-2586 or stop in to the Long Branch.

Proposed amendment would require two-thirds vote on new taxes in Illinois

By JERRY NOWICKI

Capitol News Illinois

jnowicki@capitolnewsillinois.com SPRINGFIELD - As the Democrat-

ic-controlled state Legislature mulls a constitutional amendment to change the state's income tax structure, Republicans in the Illinois Senate are touting a plan to require a two-thirds vote to propose or raise any new

Per state Sen. Dan McConchie's plan, any proposal to raise taxes would require a greater supermajority - two-thirds of legislators – than the three-fifths needed to put a constitutional amendment question on the ballot. McConchie said the two-thirds threshold is the same to expel a member or convict on impeachment.

"We are tying it to the exact same standards that are in place in California and Wisconsin," he said, adding that 14 states require some

type of supermajority vote on taxes. McConchie, a Hawthorn Woods Republican, introduced Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 12 at a Capitol

news conference with fellow Republicans which lasted about six minutes Tuesday. He called the effort one to "protect middle-class residents by giving them a voice in safeguarding their hard-earned money."

McConchie said the amendment would apply to any tax proposal, income or otherwise. To become law, McConchie's SJRCA 12

would require approval from three-fifths of both the House and Senate, as well as approval from voters on a statewide ballot. Currently, Republicans control less than one-third of the seats in the state Senate and just more than one-third in the House.

McConchie said Gov. J.B. Pritzker's proposed graduated tax structure "got the attention" of Republicans in the Senate, helping to spur the proposal. The Senate Republican caucus released a statement earlier this month which said they would oppose Pritzker's tax structure "without guaranteed protections for middle-class families."

See TAXES page A4

Local politicians to hold joint town hall on state budget

DEKALB – Area residents are invited to attend a Town Hall Meeting on the Illinois state budget that will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23 at the DeKalb County Community Outreach Building, located at 2500 North Annie Glidden Road in DeKalb. The event will be hosted by State Senator Dave Syverson (R-Rockford), State Representative Jeff Keicher (R-Sycamore), and State Representative Tom

The Town Hall Meeting will feature a presentation on the state budget followed by a question-and-answer period moderated by Eric Olson, General Manager of the Daily Chronicle. Attendees will be encouraged to submit questions on notecards that will be circulated throughout the presentation and discussion.

"As residents and businesses rush to leave the state, it is becoming increasingly apparent that the people of Illinois are frustrated with the same failed tax-and-spend policies that have only added the burdens placed on our taxpayers and employers. When it comes to state spending, lawmakers should be held to the same standards that we expect from our taxpayers," said Syverson. "This town hall will be a good opportunity to give the people back home an update on Illinois' budget and provide a better idea of where their tax dollars are going.

"This year's state budget will be a turning point in Illinois" trajectory, one way or the other," said Keicher. "Public input at our Town Hall meeting is vital to help move the conversation forward on what the state's budget-related priorities should be and how they impact our community.' Demmer said, "I look forward to listening to constituents

and providing an update on what's happening in Springfield this year. It's important that we have the chance to communicate in a variety of ways, through email, phone calls, meetings, and town hall events like this.'

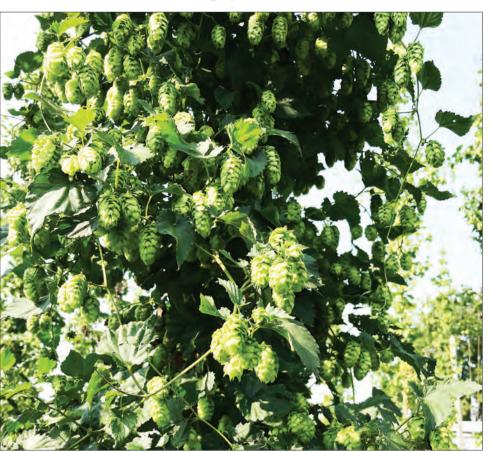
The Illinois General Assembly has a deadline of May 31 to pass a state budget for FY 2020, which begins on July 1. For questions or more information, please contact

Representative Demmer's office at 815-561-3690 or visit

tomdemmer.com.

LOCAL NEWS

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Hops plants are perennials

When growing hops, it is good to acknowledge that they take three years to reach maturity where the alpha and beta acids and oils reach the levels that are ideal for brewing. In season, the plant breaks dormancy in April and utilizing its bines, will grow vertically until the summer solstice. Immediately after the solstice, the plants develop side arms. In mid July, the hop flowers or cones start developing. Mid August to mid September is harvest time for most varieties.

To harvest hops, the bines (along with the twine it's growing on) are cut at the top of the trellis and about three feet from the ground. The bines are loaded on a trailer and taken to a harvesting unit to separate the cones from the other parts of the plant. "We rented a Hops Harvester this year," said Anthony. "Which

through a series of fingers, first strips the leaves and the cones from the vine. It then sends the leaves and cones on a conveyor system to separate the cones from the leaves. After this is complete, the hops need to be dried to about 10 percent moisture, pelletized, and then packaged in nitrogen flush mylar insulated packaging."

Anthony has done a little

Anthony has done a little bit of home brewing of craft beer here and there.

Live Wire Hops is currently providing hops for the recently opened Hairy Cow Brewery in Byron. Anthony grew up in the same parish as Nora, the Front of House Manager at Hairy Cow Brewery. She introduced Anthony and Brian to Todd and Jim and Jon, the Head Brewer, last year.

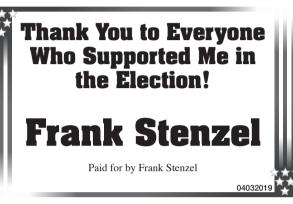
"We feel so fortunate to have gotten to know them and the entire Hairy Cow Brewing team. They are just genuinely good people who we love doing business with. And they have a beautiful brewery serving delicious beer and brick oven pizzas. They're doing it the right way and we hope we can continue to serve them into the foreseeable future," said Anthony.

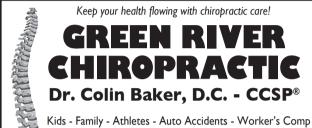
The beer they currently have on tap at Hairy Cow Brewery, that is made with Live Wire Hops, is the American Hairy. It's an American IPA that is super approachable and smooth and has been "dry hopped" with their Crystals.

They are not actually in contract with any brewery yet but they are also doing business with Prairie Street in Rockford. They just announced on Jan. 31 that their Prairie Street IPA is now brewed with Live Wire Hops Cascades. It's a bold and delicious IPA with piney and resiny notes.

"And we feel the same way about the Prairie Street guys as we do with Hairy Cow. They're the kind of people you want to be around and do business with. And there are other breweries in the works. Hopefully more to come on this in 2019," said Brian

Growing hops is a lot of hard work and dedication but cousins Anthony and Brian have thoroughly enjoyed the journey thus far. They cannot thank our community enough for all of the interest and support.





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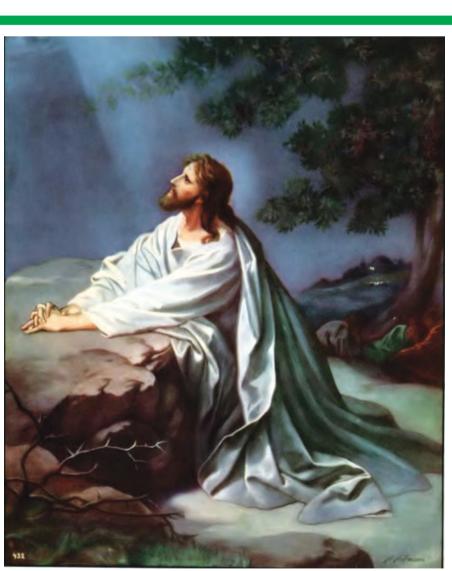
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department, 309 S. Galena Ave., will have Childhood Immunization Clinics, by appointment only. Call 815-284-3371 to schedule an appointment or to find out about other services offered. like Flu and other Adult Vaccines, free radon test kits or the application process for medical cannabis.

AMBOY-Registration deadline is April 4 for the DIY Code and Build 4-H Club. Youth must be 8-18 as of Sept. 1, 2018 to join. Block-based coding will be used to build a game and controller. Club meets Tuesdays and Thursdays in April. Call 815-632-3611 or online registration at go.illinois.edu/

STERLING-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 9:30 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, at CGH Medical Center, 100 E. LeFevre Rd. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

STERLING-April 5 is the deadline to register for an adult Spring Night Paint Night at KIDZ Turn on Thursday, April 11, sponsored by the Whiteside County Master Gardeners. Participants will create an 11x17 canvas. Call Grief Support Group will

clinician in charge.

815-632-3611 or online at go.illinois.edu/paintnight. There is a fee for the class.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 to 6 p.m. on Friday, April 5, at Dixon Hope Bible Fellowship, 732 Brinton Ave. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood. org to make an appointment to donate.

WEST BROOKLYN-St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 2520 Johnson St.,

will have Confessions at 4:30 p.m., Stations of the Cross at 5 p.m. and Holy Mass at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, April 5. Call the parish office at 815-849-5412 for more information.

AMBOY-Deadline to order roses from the Amboy Lions Club for their Annual Rose Day is Saturday, April 6. Roses will be delivered Saturday, April 13. See a Lions Club Member to purchase roses.

ROCKFORD-The 16th Annual Home & Garden Showcase will be held Saturday, April 6, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday, April 7, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Forest Hills Lodge, Hwy 173 and Forest Hills Rd.

STERLING-T*I*M*E*

Illinois Elks to offer free clinic for children

meet at 12 p.m. on Monday, April 8, at the Rock River Hospice & Home, 2706 Avenue E. Call 815-625-3858 for more information.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet on Monday, April 8, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 8, at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St.

DIXON-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 506 W. Third. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood. org to make an appointment to donate.

WEST BROOKLYN-St. Mary of the Assumption

Church, 2520 Johnson St., will host a Lenten Retreat on the Five Paths of Repentance by St. John Chrysostom on Tuesday, April 9. The retreat talk will be in the hall following Mass at 8:15 a.m. with Lenten-Breakfast, and again in the church with Eucharistic Exposition at 7 p.m.

AMBOY-The Board of Trustees of Amboy Township will meet at 7 p.m.on Tues-

day, April 9, for the Annual Town Meeting, at the Amboy Township Building, 106 S.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9, at the Sublette Township Building.

EAST GROVE TWP-

The East Grove Township Board will meet at 7:30 on Tuesday, April 9, at the East Grove Township Hall.

SUBLETTE- Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 202 S. Locust, will host a Lenten Retreat on the Five Paths of Repentance by St. John Chrysostom on Wednesday, April 10. The retreat talk will be in the hall following Mass at 8:50 a.m. with Lenten-Breakfast, confessions to follow 9:30-10:30 a.m. in the church for Be Reconciled Day. The retreat will also be offered in the church with Eucharistic Exposition at 7 p.m., with confessions to follow for Be Reconciled Day.

STERLING-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, at Sterling High School, 1608 Fourth Ave. Call 800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment to donate.

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Wednesday - Polish sausage, sauerkraut, potato wedges, baked beans, chilled applesauce, hot dog bun

Thursday - Cheese ravioli w/meatsauce, brussell sprouts, cauliflower, garlic bread, apricots

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N. Jackson Street, Morrison with Dr. David Yeager as the

The clinic starts at 8 a.m. and is by appointment only. To

make an appointment call the Illinois Elks Children's Care

office at 800-272-0074 between the hours of 9 a.m. to 4

p.m., Monday through Friday. There are no charges for any

Lee County Warrant

On March 27, at 4:10 p.m., Nicholas A. Bautista, 22, of Amboy, was arrested on a Lee County Warrant for failure to appear-DUI, operating uninsured motor vehicle, and disregard for traffic control device. He was taken to the Lee County Jail.

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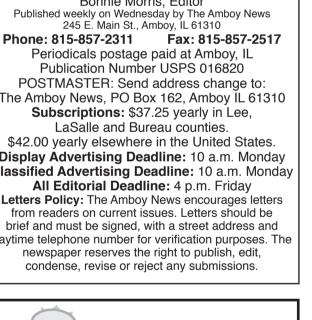
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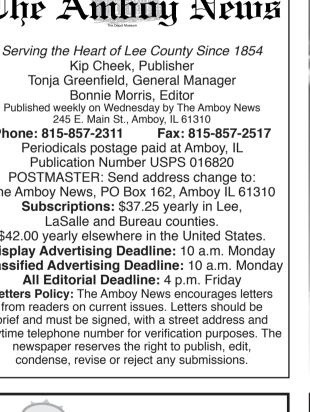
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CENTRAL SCHOOL MENU April 8-12

Fat-free chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk are served at Breakfast and Lunch.

Choice of five 100% real fruit juice cups are served at Breakfast. Warm breakfast choice on Wednesdays.

Monday - Choice of pastry or pick two from breakfast cart plus juice, fruit and milk

- Hamburger on a bun, cheese slice, tator tots, peas, carrots, fresh cut veggies, pears, milk, craisins and

- Choice of pastry or pick two from breakfast cart plus

juice, fruit and milk - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans,

roll fresh veggies and ranch, pineapple, milk, peach cobbler - Pancake Pup or pick two from breakfast cart plus juice,

- Nachos Grande with cheese and beef, salad, salsa, black beans, rice, fresh cut veggies, mixed fruit, milk,

juice, fruit and milk - Crispy Chicken fillet on bun, lettuce, tomato, sweet potato fries, broccoli and cheese, peaches, milk and cake

- Choice of pastry or pick two from breakfast cart plus

- Pick two from breakfast cart or a fresh pastry plus juice, fruit and milk - Cheese pizza, corn, fresh cut veggies and ranch, juice cup, milk, dried fruit trail mix

JR HIGH MENU

Low-fat chocolate, strawberry or unflavored white milk served at each meal. Choice of breakfast items from cart with juice and fruit. Warm breakfast choice on Wednesdays.

Lunch option each day of the featured item or salad bar or yogurt with whole grain crackers or peanut butter & jelly or Grab&Go smoothie.

- Choice of pastry or pick two from breakfast cart plus Monday

- Hamburger on a bun, cheese slice, tator tots, peas, carrots, fresh cut veggies, pears, milk, craisins and cookie

Tuesday - Pick two from breakfast cart or a fresh pastry plus juice, fruit and milk - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans,

roll fresh veggies and ranch, pineapple, milk, peach

Wednesday - Pancake Pup or pick two from breakfast cart plus juice, fruit and milk - Nachos Grande with cheese and beef, salad, salsa, black beans, rice, fresh cut veggies, mixed fruit, milk, jello cup

Thursday

Friday

- Choice of pastry or pick two from breakfast cart plus juice, fruit and milk - Crispy Chicken fillet on bun, lettuce, tomato, sweet

potato fries, broccoli and cheese, peaches, milk and cake - Pick two from breakfast cart or a fresh pastry plus

juice, fruit and milk

- Cheese pizza, corn, fresh cut veggies and ranch, juice cup, milk, dried fruit trail mix

OBITUARIES

Agriscience Educator Institute planned for June 10-14

AMBOY — Applications are now available for this year's Agriscience Educator Institute, targeted to pre-school to high school educators who want to expand their curriculum to include topics related to agriculture – the world's food and fiber system. The program is offered at several locations around the state including Lee County. This year's dates for the local session that is offered in Bureau, Lee and Whiteside Counties are

The course focuses on integrating resources and hands-on activities about agriculture and the environment into existing classroom curriculum. Graduate Credit or Professional Development Hours can be earned upon successful completion of the course.

Participants can expect in class instruction about agriculture and the entire food and fiber system, consumer issues relating to agriculture, teaching innovations and resources available to them; field trips to farms or other production enterprises and/ or agribusinesses; lab activities relating to science and agriculture in the classroom; free teaching materials and more.

The cost for the class is \$100 and enrollment is limited to 30 teachers. If a teacher is a Farm Bureau member or signs up as a member, the class cost only \$80. Applications are available at the Lee County Farm Bureau at 815-857-3531 or by emailing aitc.leecfb@ comcast.net. Completed applications are due

KB kick off party planned April 19

OREGON — The KB Tough Run planning committee would like to invite the community to their KB Kick Off Party from 5-8 p.m.., on Friday, April 19. The Tipsy Hog, at 101 S. Third Street in Oregon, will host the event this year. Guest bartenders,

including Rebecca Hazzard, Jenny Boyden, Erin Folk and Tina Ketter, will be ready to serve beer, cocktails and soda. There will also be a live auction of Cubs Tickets, generously donated by John Ebens of the Tipsy Hog. The auction will be at around 6.30

Quantities are limited. While supplies last.

p.m. The game tickets are for Section 214, for the Sept. 19 night game against the St. Louis Cardinals.

The 8th Annual KB Tough Run is scheduled for Saturday, June 29, at White Pines Ranch, 3581 W. Pines Road, in Oregon. To learn more about the event visit www. KBToughRun.com.

The annual KB Tough Run is the major fundraising event that supports the KB Fund. The fund has been established to support those in our community that are burdened by a medical crisis. Contact us with any questions by email to info@ KBToughRun.com or call Josh at 815-440-5180.

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OBITUARIES

David A. Haley Dec. 9, 1959 - March 29, 2019

DURAND — David A. Haley, 59, of Durand, died suddenly Friday March 29, 2019, at Rockford Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Dixon, Dec. 9, 1959, the son of Frank and Delores (Noble) Haley, Sr.

David worked as a black topper for various companies doing road construction. He also worked for electrician Ron Giese, as well as Doden Silos of Mendota during the

David was an avid Chicago Bears and NASCAR fan, he also enjoyed working in his yard, bird watching, playing guitar and singing. He also loved spending time with his family, especially his grandson Elijah "Popeye" and his companion Rex.

He was preceded in death by his father; step-father, Robert Doden; his brother, Frank Haley, Jr.; and two sisters, Janeece Schaefer and Sue Ohlendorf.

Survivors include his wife, Joann of Durand; his daughter, Rachel (Chad) Foster, of Pecatonica; his son, Kyle Zissler of Durand; his grandson, Elijah Zissler; his mother, Delores Doden, of Mendota; his mother and father-in-law, Carolyn and Dale Lapp, of Freeport; sister-in-law, Julie Jacobs, of Freeport; and brother-in-law, Kerry Schaefer, of Indiana.

Visitation was held from 2-4 p.m., on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., on Thursday, April

4, in the McCorkle Funeral Home in Durand. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery in Durand.

Visitation will also be held on Thursday from 10 a.m. until time of service in the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online at www.thejonesfh. com and www.mccorklefuneralhome.com.

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While the Pritzker-backed graduated tax amendment would require the same three-fifths majorities in each chamber and from voters to become law, McConchie said unless his SJRCA 12 passes, simple majorities in the Legislature could set the tax rates and brackets under the authority granted by the Pritzker-backed amendment.

Illinois' Constitution mandates a flat income tax structure, and the Legislature needs only a simple majority vote to raise the rate, which is currently 4.95 percent.

"What I am simply saying is that taxpayers deserve a seat at the table when it comes to negotiating tax increases," McConchie said.

While McConchie's bill was just filed Tuesday and he said some moderate Democrats had shown interest, it appears unlikely to muster the 36 votes needed for passage in the Senate, which has 40 Democrats and 19 Repub-

The uphill battle led Think Big Illinois, a dark money group partially funded by Pritzker, to label the Mc-Conchie amendment as a 'desperate stunt.'

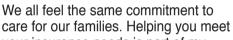
"Republicans in Springfield are so desperate to keep our current unfair tax system that they are resorting to political stunts in an attempt to ensure a system that disproportionately places the burden on middle- and lower-class families stays in place," Think Big Executive Director Quentin Fulks, a former Pritzker campaign staffer, said in a statement.

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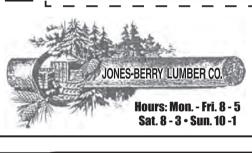
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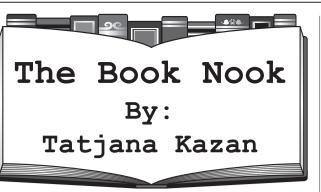
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SOCIAL NEWS



Breaking Away

ara Westover, author of "Educated: A Memoir," calls herself "an ignorant girl who crawled out of a scrap heap." Behind that description is a "beautiful childhood, in some ways," on a mountain in Idaho called Buck's Peak, with horses and goats, a self-contained, self-sufficient world, but in which Tara's paranoid survivalist father devotes his life to preparing for the End of Days.

Tara is the youngest of seven children. Her father does not believe in sending his children to school, but does believe milk is sinful. The family is not illiterate. The children learn to read from the Bible, the Book of Mormon and the speeches of Joseph Smith and Brigham Young. Tara spends her days scrapping metal in her father's junkyard and stewing herbs for her mother, who is an herbalist healer and apprentice midwife.

The children believe that their Dad is right and "they" are wrong, that the Illuminati have infiltrated everywhere, that the medical establishment is actively trying to hurt people, that drugs are meant to damage and spiritually compromise you. In time, Tara comes to believe that her father's religious extremism is the consequence of a mental illness, most likely a severe case of bipolar disorder. Tara describes horrible accidents-fingers cut off, legs gashed, an explosion which severely burns her father – made worse by her father's refusal to allow any of the injured to get medical attention, other than from his wife's oils and poultices, which he calls "God's pharmacy."

The turning point in Tara's life comes when she listens for hours to her brother Tyler's music, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, and realizes that there is something else out there, beyond the mountain. She decides that she wants to go to school, and to that end studies intensely to pass the ACT exam for admission to Brigham Young University. Getting past algebra was the hard part, but on a second try, she scores a 28 (out of 36), which was good enough to pay for half her tuition. At 17, Tara for the first time in her life sets foot in a classroom. Upon graduation from BYU, she is admitted to Harvard University and earns a Doctorate degree from Cambridge University in England.

Tara pays dearly for her rebellion, "when my father was in my life, wrestling me for control of that life." When she realizes that her family has broken with her (her mother tells relatives that Tara has gone over to Satan and must be shunned at all cost), she falls into severe depression for two years. There is no way home for her. But she concludes her brilliant memoir describing a new self: "You could call this selfhood many things – transformation, metamorphosis, falsity, betrayal. I call it an education.'

Gardening extravaganza workshop planned

STERLING — Whiteside Master Gardeners will be hosting a gardening workshop from 1-4 p.m., on Saturday, July 27, at the Whiteside Extension Office, 12923 Lawrence Road, Sterling. There will be topics of interest for everyone from the novice to the expert gardener. Individuals of all ages will learn something new and take home useful materials. The afternoon will include three separate sessions entitled: 1) Shade Gardening, 2) Grace of Gardening, and 3) Hands on Creations.

While Hosta plants come in varied colors, sizes, textures and bloom times, there are many more shade loving beauties from which to choose, which will often give the gardener a similar effect. Whiteside County Master Gardeners have prepared a Demonstration Shade Garden at the University of Illinois Extension office situated on Lawrence Road in Sterling. The Demonstration Garden is a communal project of active Master Gardeners, as members brought plants from their personal gardens to share for the project. One Master Gardener is, and continues to be, the coordinator, designing the layout for the plants in order to maximize each plant's unique qualities and display each properly.

At the Master Gardener Gardening Extravaganza Work-

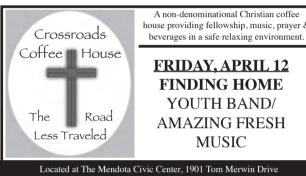
4-H DIY Code and **Build Club accepting** enrollment

AMBOY — The 4-H DIY Code and Build club is now accepting enrollment. This new club teaches decision-making, self-discipline, teamwork, self-confidence and problem solving. Youth will learn how block-based coding works, build their own game, and create a controller to play the game.

The 4-H DIY Code and Build Club will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at University of Illinois Extension, Lee County office, 280 W. Wasson Road, Amboy. Dates include April 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30. Cost to join the DIY Code and Build club is the \$20 yearly 4-H membership fee. Youth must be between the ages of eight and 18 as of Sept 1, 2018 to join. Pre-registration is required at go.illinois.edu/LeeCode or

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shop on May 18, there will be a presentation explaining the varieties of shade plants contained in the Demonstration Garden, as well as a tour of the Demonstration Garden. Each participant will receive the Shade Garden booklet.

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Whatever happened to...

ometimes I find myself wondering about Guest Column the employees who went away. Oh, I'm not talking about folks who were laid off for economic reasons or were just told after a few months on the job they weren't

No, I'm talking about the spectacular flame

We're talking about the workers who inspired Johnny Paycheck's ballad: "Take This Job and Shove It.'

Just before I joined the Las Vegas Sun, a reporter quit by doing just that. He slammed his pager onto his editor's desk, told him to put it on vibrate and shove it where the sun doesn't shine. He ended up unemployed for quite a while, but has endured as a newsroom legend.

By Scott Reeder



And then there was that one employee who many years ago wanted me to hire him for a job covering the Illinois statehouse. He interviewed well and had a nice portfolio of work. But then I learned that after he left his previous employment he created a webpage personally attacking editors and others in the newsroom where he worked.

He didn't get the job.

I ponder the fate of these folks nonetheless. After all, who hasn't, at some weak moment, wanted to tell off their boss with a few expletives attached? But most of us don't. It's not polite and not a particularly good career move either.

That said, I can't help but think about the first employee I knew who practiced radical candor to The Man.

It was in 1989 when I was cub reporter at the Galveston Daily News. There was a dispute over which reporter would work a weekend shift. A senior editor weighed in and the person who drew the short straw typed up a memo referring to him as a "eunuch" and stuck it in the mailbox of her direct

Unfortunately, the senior editor went to put a note of his own into the mailbox and read what was written about him. Given that the offended editor was duller than dishwater, it remains unknown whether he had to look up the definition of "eunuch" before deciding to be offended.

Nonetheless, that reporter, too, found herself out of work. But can a career survive, even thrive, after such a misstep? Her occupational fate had remained unknown to me for three decades - until last Saturday when I received a message from Amazon recommending a best-selling author.

The author is my former co-worker.

As I scanned the list of her published works, I couldn't help but ponder: "Has she found a way to work the word "eunuch" into a plotline?"

Scott Reeder is a veteran statehouse journalist and a freelance reporter. He can be reached by email at ScottReeder1965@gmail.com.

On This Day in History

100 Years Ago April 4, 1919

The Hussey Hardware Store has a

There was no school in East Inlet Monday as the teacher and a pupil, Hiel Ford, were in Lee Center taking the examination. Dr. and Mrs. R.V. Moore who moved

from Amboy to Portland, Oregon, a few years ago, have been visiting Amboy relatives and friends the past week.

The Crescent Club will meet Friday, April 11, with Mrs. Hazel Craig and Mrs. Geraldine Williamson.

75 Years Ago March 30, 1944

Private Paul W. Cable of Amboy has recently been promoted to the rank of Technician Fifth Grade. He is a member of the Medical Company stationed at Fort Sheridan.

Mrs. Robert Reinboth, who recently submitted to an appendectomy at Amboy Public Hospital, returned home

New postal rates became effective Sunday, Hereafter, locally mailed first class letters will require three-cent postage instead of two-cent as has prevailed

heretofore.

50 Years Ago April 3, 1969

Martin "Marty" Henkel was named "outstanding senior athlete of the year" at Amboy High School and received the Amboy News' award last Thursday evening at the annual athletic banquet.

Members of the Joker Club were entertained Monday evening, March 24, at the home of Mrs. Urban Becker. Hearts were played during the evening and prizes went to Mrs. Clifford Walter, first, Mrs. William Kellen, second, and Mrs. Robert Lindenmeyer, consolation. The Easter theme was carried out in the refreshments served later in the evening. Mrs. Delmer Dinges will entertain the group in April.

Richard Vivian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vivian, route 2, Amboy, is one of approximately 500 Illinois State University students in professional education beginning teaching internships in more than 350 schools throughout Illinois. He is teaching art in Thornridge High School, in Dolton.

> 25 Years Ago April 7, 1994

A desire to "try something new" has led two Amboy women to enter the business world with a new shop on Amboy's Main Street. The corner building that housed Clarence Michel's barber shop for many decades has been remodeled into the new home of Country Crafts.

Mayor Hank Gerdes cut a ribbon Monday to officially open the new headquarters of Beau Monde and Mary's Calico Room in the basement of the former Methodist Church on Route 52. Mary McLindsay is the owner of Mary's Calico Room and Irene Shaw owns Beau Monde.

Katie Klein, who was 4 March 15, and Sean Klein, who was 3 March 27, were honored at a birthday gathering March 27 at the home of their parents, Keith and Alice Klein.

Derek Rapp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton D. Rapp, of Sublette, was recently named winner of the 1994 DeKalb Agricultural Accomplishment Award.

Two Amboy High School seniors have been recognized by Tandy Technology Scholars program. Jason R. Dinges is an Outstanding Math, Science, Computer Science student nominee, and Erin Grossman was honored as a Top Two Percent Academic nominee. Both received certificates.

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Pritzker's plastic bag tax is all about green paper

¶uan Pham's family founded its grocery store in Illinois 23 years ago. The Hoang-Anh Oriental Food Store in East Moline proudly serves Quad Cities shoppers, especially the Asian-American immigrant community. But Pham is no fan of

what he's hearing out of

"I know Chicago already has [a plastic bag tax],' Pham said. "I think this is a bad idea." Pham is onto something.

While trumpeted as an environmental protection, the bag tax is another money grab. And despite good intentions, unintended consequences mean the tax could do more harm than good for the environment.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker included what would be the nation's first statewide plastic bag tax in his February budget proposal. He estimated a 5-centper-bag tax would generate around \$20 million. A bill charging a 7 cent-per-bag tax at checkout counters across Illinois has already passed out of a Senate committee and is the subject of further negotiation.

Most of Pham's customers are on the Illinois side of the Mississippi River, but 20 to 30 percent come over from Iowa, even though nearby Davenport has more Asian grocers than East Moline. That's one reason the bag tax worries Pham.

"Why pay extra and go further?" he asked.

Also frustrating is the fact that while the bag tax was born in Chicago – the city has imposed a 7-centper-bag tax since February 2017 – Chicagoans would be exempt from the state-level tax under two bag tax bills

proposed so far.

Guest Column **Bv Austin Bera**



The problem with that exemption is the plastic bag tax would raise millions of dollars that would flow to the state's general revenue fund, under the bill moving through the Senate. So, Chicago would benefit, but not pay.

In contrast to Illinois, neighboring states such as Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan and Indiana all have state laws on the books preventing local bag taxes. And according to data on bag use and production, those laws could actually be greener than what Pritzker is pushing.

How? Think about the life of a typical plastic bag you get from the grocery store. Oftentimes it gets a second or third hurrah as a garbage bag, and maybe accompanies your dog on a walk.

AUK Environment Agency study in 2011 examined the life cycle of all kinds of bags, from their production, to use, to disposal. And the findings were surprising.

In terms of total environmental impact, the study found paper bags are only better than plastic bags if used four or more times. That's why last year, when British supermarket chain Morrisons switched from plastic bags to paper bags for fruit and vegetables, experts called it a step backwards for the environment. It's tough to get four uses out of a paper bag.

And the numbers on cotton tote bags are even more extreme. Reusing a single plastic bag three times has the same environmental impact as using a cotton tote bag 393 times, according to the UK report. That's one trip to the grocery story per week for seven and a half years.

But those pushing the bag tax in Illinois may not care much about the body of research on this topic. They're looking out for a different kind of green. In a scramble for new revenue and an unwillingness to take on any

the Statehouse has turned to creative ways to nickel-anddime residents.

A new tax on e-cigarettes, fee hikes for driver's licenses and vehicle registration, and even a "Netflix tax"

More than 200 miles south of Pham, between Decatur and Effingham, Daric Peadro learned about the plastic bag tax proposal from a customer. He's the co-owner of Windsor Food Center, which employs 35 people in Windsor, Illi-

be like Smokey and the Bandit," Peadro joked, "buying cases of bags in Indiana to give them to my customers. Eastbound and down."

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"'Ridiculous' is about the only word I can use to

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		1	6				9	
2	7			8		1		
8					2			7
		3		5			6	
	4				1	8		
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

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- 1. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to be born a U.S. citizen?
- 2. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the elite shopping district called Rodeo Drive located?
- 3. MOVIES: Which 1990s movie featured the line, "Keep the change, ya filthy animal"? 4. HISTORY: In which country did the
- Mau Mau Uprising take place? 5. TELEVISION: What kind of crea-
- ture was the animated character Foghorn Leghorn? 6. SCIENCE: What is a tornado at sea
- called?
- 7. LITERATURE: Which poet wrote, "April is the cruelest month"?
- 3. ARCHITECTURE: Who designed Central Park in New York City? 9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is
- the traditional birthstone for April? 10. U.S. STATES: In which U.S. state
- was the first atomic bomb tested?

10. New Mexico 9. Diamond Vaux

7. T.S. Eliot 6. A waterspout δ . A rooster 4. Kenya

3. "Home Alone"

1. Martin Van Buren

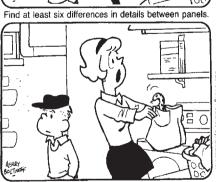
Trivia Test Answers

2. Beverly Hills, California

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8. Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert

HOCUS-FOCUS



HENRY BOLTINOFF

Differences: 1. Apron is missing. 2. Boy's cap is furned forward. 3. Shorts are longer, 4. Items are missing from shelf. 5. There are more wall bricks. 6. Pipe is lower on wall.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: J equals R

UYGS EJPFRQCRSD URKY T

UGFF-EGH UGI-EPPKGH IRJH.

R BVNNPBG MPV'JG NFTMRSD

URKY T EVFF HVQC.

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BBOKEN

Τοday's Word

3. Single; 4. Broad

N A I R A B R A B Solution time: 27 mins.

Answers

T B H W A B G R M A L

C B V W E C O I A b E

O N E

KIND CROSSMORD

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E 7 2 9 8 6

3 1

Answer

6 9 4 7

Weekly SUDOKU

7 2 1

8 17

with a full duck. I suppose you're playing well-fed web-footed bird, When frolicking with a **CryptoQuip**

"I'm only having a salad! I just discovered that my bathroom scale is

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then

PUBRAT Light

Alone **GLEINS** Wide

TODAY'S WORD

SCRAMBLERS

rrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

LINKED

RABOD

1. Abrupt; 2. Kindle; uonnios SCRAMBLERS

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWNSHIP

BUDGET Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Sublette Township, Lee County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2019 and ending March 31. 2020. will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection at 445 LaMoille Rd Sublette, IL 61367 from and after 6 P.M. on April

Notice is further given that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be at 7 P.M. on May 14, 2019, at Sublette Township Bldg. Sublette, IL and that final action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at Sublette Township Bldg. Sublette, IL at 7 P.M., May 14, 2019. Dated this 1st day of April, 2019.

1. 2019.

Daniel Stephenitch, Supervisor Deborah A. Schultz.

Clerk No. 0401 April 8, 2019

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April, 2019. Daniel Stephenitch, Superviso Deborah A. Schultz. Clerk

Dated this 1st day of

No. 0402 April 8, 2019



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SPORTS



SECOND PLACE

Amboy-LaMoille's 4x400-meter relay team finished in second place at Illinois Top Times Meet. Left to right, are Sidney Corcoran, Brooklyn Whelchel, Emma Lundquist and Ashley Althaus. Althaus also competed in the 400-meter dash and placed fifth, while the 4x200-meter relay team of Corcoran, Kylee Brown, Lundquist and Whelchel took ninth place, missing a medal by one place.

Clippers fall to Newark March 27

AMBOY – The Amboy Clippers fell to Newark, 7-2, in nonconference varsity baseball action on March 27 at City Park.

Newark built a 6-0 lead before the Clippers finally got on the board in the bottom of the fifth as Hunter Zimmerly singled to

Zimmerly paced Amboy with two singles and a double. Logan Whelchel took the pitching loss for the Clippers.

The Clippers put together timely hitting and excellent pitching to cruise past Mendota, 7-0, in a nonconference contest on March 29

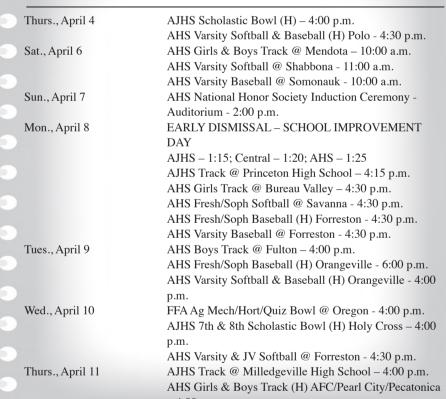
at City Park. Amboy's Mitchell McLaughlin was in total command on the hill as the senior allowed just three hits and struck out 15 of the possible 21 outs to record the victory. He issued just one free pass.

McLaughlin got plenty of offensive support from his teammates. Zimmerly stroked two singles, a double and drove in a run. His RBI came in the first as the Clippers put two runs on the board to grab the early lead.

Amboy added two more runs in the fourth, one in the fifth and capped off the scoring with a pair in the sixth.

Lane Boehle had a good day at the plate with a single, double and two RBI, while Maverick Lindenmeyer singled and doubled, and Clayton Kemp singled twice.

Amboy Community Unit School District #272





COLLEGE ATHLETE

Kelynn Boyle recently signed with Sauk Valley Community College to run Cross Country and Track during her college career.

Photo submitted

Lady Clippers post pair of impressive victories over Pecatonica

AMBOY — The Amboy Lady Clippers posted a pair of impressive softball victories over Pecatonica in Northwest Upstate Illini Conference play.

AHS hosted Pecatonica on March 26 and came away with an 11-0 win in a game halted in the fifth by the 10-run rule.

Amboy set the tone in the first inning with eight runs. It added one run in the third and two more in the fourth to go in front by double-digits. Alison O'Rourke had a perfect 3 for 3 day

at the plate with a single, double, triple and three RBI. Bailee Highbarger and Kyleigh Donna each had two singles, while Dani Hochstatter tripled and drove in a pair.

Highbarger shut down Pecatonica's offense, allowing just three hits and striking

Two days later the Lady Clippers journeyed to Pecatonica and this time it was a 21-0 shutout victory for Amboy. The game was stopped in the fourth inning.

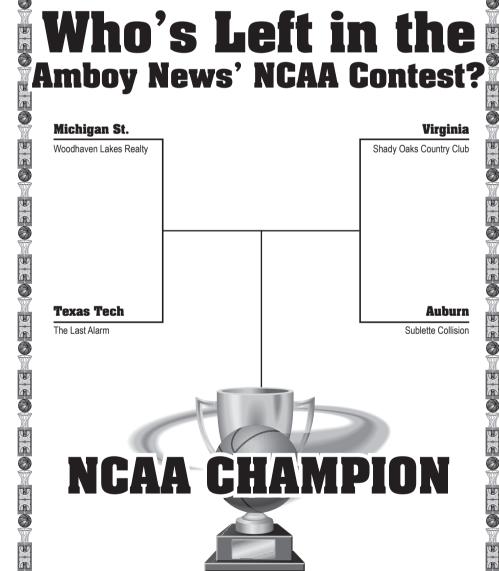
Amboy scored seven runs in the first, six in the second and eight in the third.

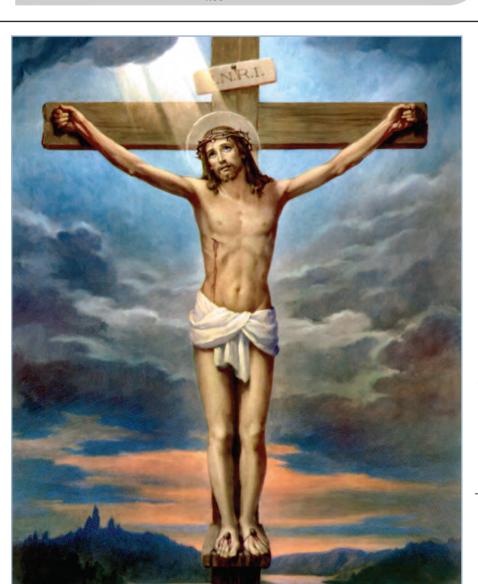
O'Rourke had another big day on offense with two doubles, a single and six runs

Gabby Jones collected three singles and five RBI, while Mallory Powers and Donna each singled twice, with Powers driving

Baylie Nickel was the winning pitcher, throwing a no-hitter and striking out one. She did not issue a free pass.

Recycle! Recycle! Recycle!





5 Paths of Repentance by St. John Chrysostom

April 9th, Tuesday in West Brooklyn

at St. Mary of the Assumption Church

-Retreat talk in the hall following Mass ~8:15 am with Lenten-Breakfast -Retreat talk* in the Church with **Eucharistic Exposition** at 7:00 pm

April 10th, Wednesday in Sublette at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

-Retreat talk in the hall following Mass ~8:50 am with Lenten-Breakfast, confessions to follow: 9:30 am to 10:30 am in the Church for Be Reconciled Day -Retreat talk* in the Church with Eucharistic Exposition at 7:00 pm, confessions to follow talk for Be Reconciled Day

> **April 12th, Friday** in Maytown at St. Patrick Church

-Retreat talk in the hall following Mass ~8:30 am with Lenten-Breakfast -Retreat talk* in the hall following Mass ~6:00 pm with Lenten-Dinner - Soup and bread supper provided by the Altar & Rosary Society of St. Patrick, Maytown.

*Note: The same retreat talk will be given in the evening as what was expounded upon in the morning.

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